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I believe I am the original and first inventor (if only one name listed below) or an original and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Surface Shape Recognition Sensor Device

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

OR

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Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?
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